

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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Please add the following to the end of the Abstract of the Disclosure at page 23, line 6. A version of the amended Abstract of the Disclosure including markings to show the changes made is provided on a separate sheet.

The method includes (a) providing a laminate that includes i) a shrinkable polymeric substrate and ii) a hydrogel that includes linking agents disposed on at least a portion of the substrate; (b) contacting the matrix with the laminate; (c) transferring molecules from the matrix to the laminate; (d) removing the matrix from the laminate; and (e) shrinking the laminate.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2, 16-22, 24 and 25 without prejudice.

Please replace pending claims 1, 3 and 23 with amended claims 1, 3 and 23 set forth below. A version of the amended claims including markings to show the changes made is provided on a separate sheet.

1. (Amended) A method of transferring molecules positioned within a matrix to a laminate comprising:

(a) providing a laminate comprising

i) a shrinkable polymeric substrate having a projected surface area and a topographical surface area, and

ii) a hydrogel disposed on at least a portion of the substrate, the hydrogel comprising linking agents;

(b) contacting the matrix with the laminate;

(c) transferring molecules from the matrix to the laminate;

(d) removing the matrix from the laminate; and

(e) shrinking the laminate so that the topographical surface area is greater than the projected surface area.

3. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the linking agents comprise azlactone copolymers.